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### TRUSTEES' MEETING

February 6, 1913.

Members of the Board all present except Conrad and Hobbs. Minutes of last two regular meetings read and approved as read.

Permit granted Mr. Dewey to repair and enlarge frame building adjacent to City Bakery, property of Charles Hipp, subject to approval of Board of Public Works.

Mr. Al Watson made application for an appropriation of $100.00 towards the expense of four pages in the booklet the K. of P. order is getting out for circulation and distribution to the members of the Imperial Council at its next meeting, to be devoted to views and a write-up of Tropico. The application was made by Mr. Watson on behalf of Visor Lodge, Knights of Pythias, No. 293, of Tropico. The brunt of the expense would be borne by the Lodge itself, but he believed the citizens and taxpayers generally who were to receive the benefits of the outlay, not only should, but would be only to glad to join in assisting in this way to help out.

The matter was referred to the Committee of the Whole Board with instructions to report at the next regular meeting.

Mr. Van Netten, Mr. Harry L. Edwards and Mr. Dwight Griswold addressed the Board in support of the pending proposition to call an election for the issue of the bonds of the city in the sum of $25,000 for fire plugs, fire hose and fire extinguishing apparatus, land for the site of public buildings, and the construction of a Public Library, City Hall, etc., provided that the Board spread upon its minutes a resolution setting forth the items of the proposed expenditure and the purposes of the same in detail as far as possible. Each speaker pledged his influence in support of the proposition together with that of the Civic Club which they represented.

A communication from Dr. Tholen was read offering the parcel of land on the southwest corner of Central and Tropico Avenue for a site of the proposed public buildings for $2,250.

A communication from Mr. H. H. Davenport offering the two lots on the Northeast corner of Brand Boulevard and Cypress Street, for the same purpose for $2,500.

Further consideration of the matter was laid over until the next regular meeting, because of the absence of a sufficient number of the members of the Board to pass an ordinance calling an election for the issue of bonds.

### WATER COMPANY REPORT

The Tropico Water Company, through L. C. Brand, Secretary of the Title Guarantee and Trust Company, submitted a report of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Company for the months of November and December, 1912.

Receipts for the two months...$ 893.48

Disbursements for the same period:

| | |
|---|---|
| Salaries | 380.78 |
| Repairs | 6.85 |
| Office expenses | 48.17 |
| Interest | 285.97 |
| Taxes | 198.67 |
| Legal expenses | 162.43 |
| Total | $1,082.87 |
| Excess of disbursements over recipts | 189.39 |

### BUILDING PERMITS.

Building Inspector Jennings, submitted his monthly report for January, 1913, showing permits granted as follows:

| | Value |
|---|---|
| Mr. Lafontain, residence, Mira Loma and Gardena, | $ 2,500.00 |
| Walter Anderson, machine shop, rear of lot, corner San Fernando Road and Tropico Ave. | 400.00 |
| W. A. Hough, residence, 220 W. 10th St. | 2,000.00 |
| Y. Yoto, plant house, corner Central and Park Aves... | 100.00 |
| Pacific Home Builders, Gardena Ave., Angelus Tract, residence | 2,750.00 |
| Pacific Home Builders, Gardena Ave., Angelus Tract, residence | 2,000.00 |
| Pacific Home Builders, Gardena Ave., Angelus Tract, residence | 2,000.00 |
| Pacific Home Builders, Gardena Ave., Angelus Tract, residence | 2,850.00 |
| Pacific Home Builders, Gardena Ave., Angelus Tract, residence | 2,850.00 |
| Pacific Home Builders, Gardena Ave., Angelus Tract, residence | 2,850.00 |
| Pacific Home Builders, Gardena Ave., Angelus Tract, residence | 2,850.00 |
| Total for January | $23,150.00 |
| Plumbing for January, 1913. | $3,752.50 |
| Fees for building permits... | 23.00 |
| Fees for plumbing permits.. | 23.25 |
| Fees for electric permits.... | 22.00 |

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

City Treasurer Brown submitted his report of receipts and disbursements for the month of January, 1913, as follows:

**General Fund.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1913.... | $ 75.80 |
| Receipts for January, 1913.. | 5,299.08 |
| Total | $5,374.90 |
| Disbursements for January.. | 703.00 |
| Balance, Feb. 1, 1913..... | $4,671.90 |

**Library Fund.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1913.... | $ 75.96 |
| Receipts for January, 1913.. | 739.09 |
| Total .. | $ 815.05 |
| Disbursements for January.. | 62.00 |
| Balance in Treasury..... | $ 753.05 |

### GLENDALE GLEANINGS

At last week's meeting of Glendale's Board of Trustees bids were opened for fire apparatus. The first was from the Knox Automobile Company offering to manufacture and furnish motor fire apparatus to the city, guaranteed for two years, for the sum of $6,250; 50-horsepower. Another offer was received from the Pope-Hartford Company offering auto chemical and hose outfit for $6000. Offer from Seagrave Company, for similar outfit for the sum of $5500; for 53-horsepower; also having a guarantee for two years specifying a number of accouterments as extras. Webb Motor Fire Apparatus Company of St. Louis, 70-horsepower, price $6850; also a six-cylinder machine, 90-horsepower, for $6800. American-LaFrance Fire Apparatus Company bid 4 cylinder, 70-horsepower, $6150. On motion of Mr. Coker action was deferred until an adjourned meeting, Thursday evening.

Report of recorder showed 16 cases during month, fines collected $115. Building inspector's report showed 50 building permits issued, amounting to $7,650. Report of street superintendent was also received, showing collections of $48 for garbage and $130 for fees. Health officer showed ten cases of measles, four of mumps, during month. City clerk's report was also received.

A communication was received from the trustees of the city of Tropico, expressing appreciation for the services rendered by the Glendale fire department at the recent fire in that place, and enclosing an order on the treasury for the sum of $25 for the benefit of the department. On motion the money was turned over to the fire chief for benefit of the fire fund.

The matter of report tendered by Consolidated Water Company was reported by city attorney. The company had been asked for a report covering one year's business, but the one received only covered the business of one month. Such a report was declared to be useless and the city attorney was instructed to press the matter of securing report for the full year.

At the adjourned meeting Thursday night the offer of the Knox as above set out was accepted.

### GLENDALE EXPECTS NEW CAR-LINE TO TRAVERSE CITY.

A committee from the chamber of commerce instructed to push the matter of railroad construction through the eastern part of Glendale, has had frequent interviews with Paul Shoup, president of the Pacific Electric railway, and is confident the problem will be worked out in a short time.

A. B. Heacock, president of the chamber of commerce, says he thinks the railroad authorities desire to do what citizens of Glendale wish in regard to better railroad facilities, and for several reasons will want to run a line through that part of the city where there remains acreage.

It is further stated by the committee that the railroad authorities have expressed a desire for a right-of-way along the Childs tract east of Adams street and promise when this is furnished to go ahead with construction.

It is understood to be the intention of the railroad authorities to build to a point approximately half a block either north or south of Broadway, near the schoolhouse, then turn westward and come to Glendale avenue. Having arrived at this point the company will have a belt line by way of Broadway to Brand boulevard, and on the north by the way of the Eagle Rock-Glendale road to Verdugo canyon. The delay at present seems to be caused by the difficulty of procuring a right-of-way westward from the Childs tract to Glendale avenue.

### GLENDALE SCHOOL FACILITIES.

The attendance at the Glendale graded school has increased 25 per cent over last year. The total enrollment for this year is 1100, against 700 last year. Last year there were 29 teachers, while this year there are 31. The increased attendance has taxed the school facilities beyond their capacities, and the patrons of the school are figuring on some feasible plan which will enable them to have better school accommodations.

### TROPICO'S CIVIC CLUB PROCEEDINGS.

The regular meeting of the Tropico Civic Club held at the K. of P. hall, last Tuesday night, was well attended. In addition to the members of the club present, a number of citizens had been invited to attend the meeting and to participate in the discussion of the proposed bond issue for the purpose of purchasing a fire engine; installing hydrants, and erecting a municipal building.

Among the visitors present who took part in the discussion were Messrs. Leigh Bancroft, Hal Davenport, Frank Peters, W. Wattles, and Frank H. Davis.

President Johnson expressed a wish that a full and free discussion of the subject be had, and called upon the visitors to express their views on the subject; and called attention to the object for which the Civic Club was formulated, and asked the secretary of the club to read from the constitution its objects, aims and purposes. Mr. Bancroft explained the position of the Board of Trustees on the issue and stated that it was the desire of the trustees to work in unity with the citizens, and to take only such action as would result in the greatest good to the greatest number. He stated that he was in favor of a bond issue for $25,000, and the proceeds from these bonds to be used, first, in purchasing a fire engine, hose, etc., at an approximate cost of $9,500; the installation of 200 or more four-inch hydrants, at an approximate cost of $5,000. That it would be necessary to provide for the maintenance of the engine, and a salary of two men to attend it, out of the bond issue until the next assessment of taxes, and he estimated this at about $1,500.

Mr. Bancroft expressed himself as being in favor of putting up a municipal building which would not only be an attraction to the city, but would house the engine, furnish sleeping quarters to the attendants, provide a meeting house for the Board of Trustees and City Clerk, quarters for the public library, and also a room or place which could be used as a meeting place for the young folks of the city. Mr. Bancroft stated that at the present time the city was paying for their present hall and library a rental of $45.00 a month. This rental would pay interest on $9,000 worth of bonds, and $9,000 would provide a suitable site and erect a public building.

The question of location for the proposed building was discussed, and while there were a number of opinions expressed as to the most suitable site, the opinion of the majority was that the building should be located in such a place as could be the most accessible to all parts of the city, and offer the most protection to the greatest number.

After the visitors retired the Civic Club appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Van Etten, Krissel, and Harry L. Edwards co-operate with the Board of Trustees in formulating a plan that would be suitable to all interests, with the object in view of insuring the proposed bond issue being carried.

A number of applications to become members were received and favorably acted upon. A petition consisting of 48 signatures requesting that the Pacific Electric company stop their cars at Gardena avenue, was presented by Mr. Cole, with the request that the Civic Club endorse the petition and take it up with the street car company. This was done, and the secretary of the club instructed to forward the petition to Mr. Pontiue, with the request that he give the petition a favorable consideration.

At an early hour, about 2 o'clock Sunday morning, the bungalow residence of Mr. and Mrs. Oberdeck, on Boynton Avenue, on the northerly slope of Tropico Hill, was discovered to be on fire by the neighbors. Mr. and Mrs. Oberdeck left home about 4 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday and had not returned at the time of the fire. When the flames were discovered they were so far advanced that their extinguishment was hopeless. The origin of the fire is unknown, and happening as it did some ten hours after the house was left vacant by its owners, the cause of it is a mystery.

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# The Root of Evil

By THOMAS DIXON

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He never finished the sentence. Stuart suddenly gripped his throat, threw him flat on his back and while he kicked and squirmed and swore, drew a cord from his pocket and tied his feet and hands securely.

Paying no further attention to his groans and curses, he threw his little helpless form across his shoulders, plunged into the water and began his struggle to reach the yacht. It was a difficult and dangerous task but a—

He Began His Struggle to Reach the Yacht.

last he struggled up the gangway tore the cabin door open, staggered down the steps into the warm, bright saloon and fell in a faint at Nan's feet.

The doctor came in answer to her scream and lifted Bivens to his stateroom, while Nan bent low over the prostrate form.

"Jim, speak to me! You can't die yet; we haven't lived!"

He sighed and gasped:

"Is he alive?"

"Yes, in his stateroom there, cursing you with every breath."

"Thank God! Thank God!"

## CHAPTER XXI.

### The Mockery of the Sun.

STUART refused to talk to Nan, went abruptly to his stateroom and spent a night of feverish dreams. His exhaustion was so acute restful sleep was impossible. Through the night his mind went over and over the horror of the moment on that marsh when he had looked into the depths of his own soul and seen the flames of hell.

Between the times of dozing unconsciousness, which came at intervals, he wondered what had be one of the two men in that disabled tender. He waited with dread the revelation the dawn would bring. He rose with the sun and looked out of his stateroom window. The bay was a solid sheet of glistening ice. The sun was shining from a cloudless sky, and the great white field sparkled and flashed like a sea of diamonds.

He dressed hurriedly, went into the galley, made a fire and called Nan. He rapped gently on the paneled partition which separated their staterooms. He could hear her low, softly spoken answer as if there were nothing between them.

"Yes, Jim, what is it? Are you ill?"

"No, hungry. You will have to help me get some breakfast."

"The cook hasn't come?" she asked in surprise.

There was a moment's hesitation, and his voice sounded queer when he quietly answered:

"No."

In ten minutes she appeared at the door of the galley, her hair hanging in glorious confusion about her face and the dark eyes sparkling with excitement.

"What on earth does it mean, Jim?" she asked breathlessly. "Cal could tell me nothing last night. Why hasn't the cook returned?"

"He may never come, Nan."

"Why, Jim?" she gasped.

"They started to tow us in, and the engine broke down. I think the carburetor probably froze, and they were driven before the wind, helpless. There's a chance in a thousand that they reached an oyster shanty and found shelter. We'll hope for the best. In the meantime you and I will have to learn to cook again for a few days."

"A few days!" Nan exclaimed.

"Yes. The bay is frozen. Our old guide is a good cook, but he's safe in harbor ashore. He had too much sense to venture out last night. He can't get here now until the ice breaks up."

Nan accepted the situation with girlish enthusiasm.

The doctor pronounced the meal better than he had tasted on the trip. Bivens was still in an ugly mood and refused to leave his stateroom or allow any one but the doctor to enter. He was suffering intense pain from his frostbitten fingers and toes and


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ears and still cherished his grudge against Stuart. He had carefully concealed from both the doctor and Nan just what had occurred between them on the trip that day.

On the second morning after the freeze a light dawned on the little man's sulking spirits. During the night the ice softened, and a strong southerly breeze had swept every piece of it to sea.

It was just 9 o'clock, and Nan was busy humming a song and setting the table for breakfast when Stuart heard the distant drumbeat of a tender's engine. The guide was returning from the shore or the lost tender had come. If it were the guide he would probably bring news of the other men. Stuart called:

"A tender is coming, Nan. Don't come on deck until I tell you."

In a moment he came back down the companionway and spoke in quiet tones:

"It's just as I expected. They are both dead. The guide found them on the marsh over there, frozen."

"The marsh you and Cal were on?" she asked breathlessly.

"Yes. Both of them were kneeling. They died with their hands clasped in prayer."

"And you saved Cal from that?" she gasped and, turning, fled into her stateroom.

He went in to change his clothes and help lift the bodies on deck. Through the paneled wall he heard Nan softly sobbing.

Bivens refused at first to believe the doctor's startling announcement. He hurriedly dressed, came on deck and for five minutes stood staring into the white, dead faces.

Without a word he went below and asked the doctor to call Stuart.

When his old friend entered he took his hand quietly, and for once in his life the little, black, piercing eyes were swimming in tears as he spoke.

"You're a great man, Jim, and, what's bigger, you're a good one. If God will forgive me for the foolish things I said and did I'll try to make it up to you, old boy. Is it all right?"

Stuart's answer was a nod, a smile and a pressure of the hand.

When they were back in New York the stirring scenes of Virginia brought Stuart more and more into intimate personal relations with Bivens, and he had taken advantage of the fact to draw away from his wife. He ceased to see Nan alone. Bivens' increasing devotion made this easy, and on Harriet's return from Europe with an engagement as understudy in grand opera his life settled down once more to the steady development of his ideal of service to the common people.

Scarcely a day passed without bringing to the young lawyer some reminder of Bivens' friendship. Two great lawsuits involving the principles on which the structure of the modern business world rested were begun in the federal courts. At the financier's secret suggestion the more important of these was placed in Stuart's hands. Bivens hoped to beat the government in this suit, but in case the people should win he wanted Stuart to have the honor.

Stuart could scarcely credit his ears when Bivens said to him with a chuckle:

"How's your big suit to dissolve the American Chemical company coming on, Jim?"

"We're going to win, beyond the shadow of a doubt!" was the enthusiastic reply.

"If you do, I want you to know, old boy, that I threw that job into your hands."

"What a funny mixture of the devil and the human you are after all, Cal!"

Bivens Stood Staring at the White Dead Faces.

The more I see of you the less I know you. In business you are an oppressor of the weak, cruel and unjust, and yet you are a good husband, a loyal friend and a member of the church."

Bivens smiled cynically.

"Nothing mysterious about it. I came into a world where I found robbery and murder the foundation of our commercial system. I grappled with my enemies, learned the rules of the game and beat them at it."

"And you expect to win in the end?"

"I have won!"

The young lawyer shook his head thoughtfully.

"There's a text our old preacher at home used to ring the changes on that's been turning into my life of late. 'Sin when it is full grown bringeth forth death.'"

As the two men drew thus closer and closer together, Stuart's bearing toward Nan became guarded, and at last their relations strained. She met his new attitude with deep resentment and growing wonder. Her firm conviction was that he had become interested in another woman. From the first she had suspected Harriet Woodman, and had inevitably linked her coming with Stuart's change of feeling.

With the liberal use of money she made the acquaintance of a member of the chorus of the grand opera company who agreed to report to her every movement in Harriet's life.

At the beginning of the season the usual quarreling of the stars gave to the young singer the opportunity of her life, and Nan's friend reported that the little golden haired understudy was suddenly booked to sing the leading role in "Faust" on account of the illness of the star.

Nan, believing Harriet would fail, asked Stuart to spend the evening in her box at the opera—the first time he had allowed himself to be alone with her since their return from the cruise.

"Yes, Nan," he answered quickly, "I'll go with pleasure. A little friend of mine is to sing a great role tonight. I'm so glad you're going. I want you to hear her and help me applaud."

If Harriet should succeed tonight—the thought was suffocating to Nan—tomorrow her name would be on the lips of thousands and a new star would be shining in the musical world!

Stuart took Harriet to the stage door on his way for Nan. As the cab wheeled up Broadway he was in a fever of excitement over the outcome of the night's work.

"It's horribly unfair, little pal, for them to thrust you into such a position with only a few hours' rehearsal."

"I'm only too thankful for the chance, Jim," she answered.

At the stage door he held her hand in parting and whispered:

"My soul and body will be yours tonight, dearie. Remember that! I've permission from the manager to meet you behind the scenes after the last curtain. Be sure to wait a moment before you go to your dressing room."

"No, I'll see you in my room. I shall be so proud of it—the star's room for one night at least! The maid will show you the way."

"I will be in the Bivens' box, the second from the stage on the right. Don't forget to glance that way, now and then."

A look of pain clouded the fair face, but he could not see it in the shadows, and with a last warm pressure of her hand he was gone.

"I wonder if he does think of me still as a child?" she mused. "I wonder if he never suspects the storm within? Well"—

She smiled triumphantly. "I'll tell him something tonight in my song!"

Nan was not in an amiable mood when Stuart led her to the box in the millionaire's playhouse which New York society built to exhibit its gowns, jewelry and beautiful women.

As the moment for Harriet's appearance drew near, Stuart's nervous tension became a positive agony. The people were in a friendly mood of expectancy. The fact that she was an American girl and from New York was greatly in her favor.

The audience greeted her appearance with a burst of applause and waited for the first note.

Stuart was charmed with the effect of her personality in the character, before she moved. The long, beautiful golden hair, the innocent young face and her simple girlish costume made an instantaneous impression.

With the first sweet note from her throat every fear vanished. She sang simply, quietly, exquisitely, without effort, as a bird sings because the song bubbles from within. A ripple of surprised comment swept the audience and burst into vigorous applause at the close of her song. From start to finish Harriet received a continuous ovation. The audience rose in their seats and greeted her with such a tribute of enthusiasm New York had rarely seen.

When Stuart had fought his way through the crowd and reached the stage he found her alone with her father in her room. Her head was resting on his breast, and he was stroking the fair young forehead with tender, caressing touch.

Stuart turned away from the scene and left them alone for a few moments. He found Nan and asked her to wait for him at the stage door in her automobile until he could give Harriet his congratulations.

She consented with a frown and begged him to hurry.

Her father was still there, and a crowd of musicians, singers and critics were waiting in a group outside to offer their congratulations. She was holding them back until his arrival.

"My glorious little pal!" he whispered, his voice choking with emotion. "I'm the proudest man in the world tonight."

"It's all your work, Jim," she said simply. "You suggested and willed it, and I've made good under your inspiration. I'd rather see the happiness on your face and hear your words of approval than all the applause of that crowd."

He turned and saw Nan standing in the doorway with a curious smile on her flushed face.

"May I, too, offer my congratulations, Miss Woodman?" she asked.

Harriet's little figure suddenly stiffened at the sight of Nan, but at the sound of her friendly voice relaxed and moved to meet the extended hand.

"Thank you, Mrs. Bivens," she replied cordially.

And then Stuart did something that sent a shock through every fiber of Nan's being.

As easily and naturally as a big brother he slipped one of his long arms around Harriet and looked down with frank admiration into her eyes.


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"You see, Nan, she's mine."

"You see, Nan, she's mine."

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## CHAPTER XXII.

### Through Purple Curtains.

WHEN Nan made up her mind she acted with lightning rapidity. She would force Stuart to an avowal of love that would fix their relation beyond disturbance by the little singer. She had too fine a sense of values to permit herself to become entangled in an intrigue.

She could wait and gain in power for the waiting. Her physician had told her that Bivens' days were numbered.

But on one thing she was determined. She must know that Jim loved her still, loved her passionately, madly as she believed he did. But he must say it. She had no difficulty in persuading Bivens to urge Stuart to visit their country estate in the mountains of North Carolina. The doctor had ordered him there to live in the open air.

The young lawyer refused to go at first, but Bivens urged with such pathetic eagerness he was compelled to accept.

It was a warm, beautiful morning the last week in March when he alighted on the platform of the little railroad station on the estate and took his seat beside Nan in her big touring car. The fruit trees were in full bloom, and their perfume filled the air. The hum of bees and the song of birds he had known in his boyhood thrilled his heart.

"It's glorious, Nan!" he exclaimed.

"Your coming makes it perfect, Jim," she answered tenderly.

As the river made a graceful curve Bivens' house swept into full view—a stunning pile of marble 300 feet long, its tower piercing the turquoise sky in solemn grandeur. The stone parapet on which its front wall was built rose in massive strength a hundred feet from the ledge in the granite cliff before touching the first line of the white stones of the house itself.

At the end a formal garden had been built on the foundations of masonry which cost $100,000.

For an hour the car swept like a spirit over the miles of smooth macadam private roads Bivens had built. At each graceful turn his wonder increased at the luxurious outlay of millions.

From each hilltop as the huge gleaming castle came into view from a new angle, revealing its marvelous beauty, he thought with a touch of pity of the shambling figure of the stricken man limping through its halls helpless, lonely, miserable. What strange pranks fate plays with the mighty as well as the lowly! So frail was the broken body now he did not dare risk a call by taking a ride with his wife.

The machine turned suddenly up a hill and glided through two iron gates opening on the lawn, and the great white chateau loomed before them in a flash of blinding beauty. Stuart caught his breath. He shook hands with Bivens and was shocked to find him so weak.

The little man held his hand with a lingering wistfulness as he looked into his friend's strong face.

"You don't know how rich you are, Jim," he said feebly, "with this hand that grips like iron. I'd give millions to feel my heart beat like yours today."

"You'll get better down here," Stuart answered cheerfully.

"I'm trying it anyhow," he said listlessly. "Make yourself at home, old boy. This house is my pride. I want Nan to show you every nook and corner in it. I wish I could trot around with you, but I can't."

"As soon as you've changed your clothes," Nan said familiarly, "come down to the library and I'll show you around."

Stuart followed the man assigned as his valet to the electric elevator and in a minute stepped out on the fourth floor. He observed with a smile that his room number was 157.

"The idea of living in a huge hotel and calling it a home!" he mused, with grim humor. "Room 157—great Scot!"

His hostess showed him first the library. The magnificent room contained more than 40,000 volumes, bound in hand tooled morocco.

"The funny thing, of course," Nan whispered, "is that Cal has never read one of these exquisitely bound books."

"Why on earth did he make this room the most stately and beautiful one in the house?"

"Maybe he didn't!" she laughed. "I'm going to give you a privilege no mere man has ever enjoyed in this house before—I am going to show you my own rooms."

When the tour of inspection had been completed she led him to her own suit, which was located in the southwestern corner, overlooking the magnificent formal gardens with their artificial lake, fountains, statuary and a wilderness of flowers, and farther on over the beautiful valleys of the Swannanoa and the French Broad rivers. Beyond the river valleys rose range after range of mountains.

The magnificence of her bedroom was stunning. Stuart rubbed his eyes in amazement. She had taken herself seriously in the creation of this room, and had spent a round million on its ivory bedstead, its purple and gold velvet hangings, its wonderful carvings.

The picture she made standing in this wonderful room was one that never faded from his memory. The poise of her superb form; the fires that smouldered in the depths of her eyes; the tenderness with which her senses seemed to drink in the daring luxury; the smile that played about her lips, joyous, sensuous, cruel!

"It seems all a dream, Nan," he said. "I'll rub my eyes and wake up directly. I thought your New York house a miracle. This is fairyland."

"Perhaps it would be," she said, looking at him a moment through half closed eyes, "if only the prince"—

A look of pain unconsciously clouded his face, and the sentence was not finished.

On the fourth day Nan planned a coaching party to ascend Mount Mitchell, the highest peak in the land of the sky, the highest point of ground that side the Rockies. She had taken this trip with Stuart sixteen years before. She was then but fifteen, and he had just begun to dangle at her heels. She did not tell him their destination.

The party consisted of half a dozen boys and girls whom Nan was chaperoning, Stuart, the footman and coachman. The start was made at sunrise. The morning was glorious, the air rich with the full breath of a southern spring.

At the foot of the first hill the coach suddenly stopped beside the banks of the Swannanoa river.

Nan leaped to the ground, drew Stuart with her to the rear of the coach, and raised her arms.

"Lift me up," she cried, laughing.

He placed his hands under her arms and with a leap and a cry of laughter she was in the empty baggage rack.

"Now up with you!" she cried.

In a moment Stuart was seated snugly by her side and the big red coach was rolling along the old road.

"Now, sir," Nan whispered, "do you know where you are going?"

Stuart nodded.

"To a certain peak among the clouds, where you and I once went a thousand years ago."

Nan nestled a little closer, or perhaps it was the swaying of the coach that made him think she did, and softly said:

"You remember this road?"

"I've seen it a hundred times in my dreams since that wonderful day. It winds along the banks of the Swannanoa for twenty miles, always climbing higher and higher until the river becomes a limpid trout stream. We stop at the old roadhouse, stay all night and next morning take the bridle path with the funny pack horses and climb to the first mountain top, still following the little stream."

"Fine, Jimmy, fine!" she cried, with girlish mockery. "Your geography lesson was perfect! You can walk home with me after school."

Stuart looked at her and broke into a laugh. Again they were boy and girl, and the only change he could see was that she was more splendidly beautiful at thirty-one than she had ever promised to be at fifteen.

"You remember how shocked you were in this same seat, Jim, that day in the sweet long ago when the old coach threw me into your arms?"

"Yes, I felt that I was taking a mean advantage of you."

"I thought you were an awful fool not to accept more gracefully and thankfully the providence which threw a pretty girl your way."

The coach gave a sudden lurch and threw her into Stuart's arms again.

"And now?" he cried laughingly, as he held her firmly for a moment to prevent her falling.

She blushed furiously, threw the ringlets of dark hair from her face and drew back to her position.

"Now, of course, it's unlawful," she answered with sober playfulness.

The man watched her slyly for the next half mile. She was very, very quiet.

They spent the night at the same old roadhouse and slept on feather beds. He hadn't felt the touch of a feather bed in years. He dreamed that he was at school again, a man of thirty-five, playing marbles with a crowd of towheaded boys, and they were beating him at the game while Nan was standing near, her long plait of black hair hanging down her back, laughing at him because he was barefooted!

They started next day at 8 o'clock with the pack horses to make the trip along the dim bridle trail, fourteen miles up the sides of frowning cliffs and over the tops of balsam crowned peaks to the summit of Mount Mitchell.

Nan led the way, mounted on a sure footed young stallion, and Stuart followed her on a little black mule he had selected from the barn for his exact likeness to one he had raised as a pet when a boy. The youngsters came struggling after them, mounted on an assortment of shaggy, scrubby looking animals that knew the mountain path as a rabbit knows his trail in the jungle.

At 1 o'clock they passed through the first series of clouds and out into the sunlight beyond. The next line of clouds was dark and threatening and suddenly poured rain. Slowly but surely the horses picked their way up the mountain side through the storm and suddenly walked out into the sunlight again; they looked down on the smooth flat surface of the clouds through which they had passed.

It was dusk when the party reached the summit. The horses were loosened to graze in the open field and the guides hurried to build a fire in front of the cave made by a projecting ledge of rock beneath which the party was to sleep.

The bed of balsam boughs was too sharp a contrast to Nan's million dollar room to permit Stuart much sleep. Besides, the youngsters were giggling and laughing and joking most of the night. Only a big log marked the partition wall between the men's and women's part of the cave. The space was so limited it was necessary to sleep close together. The girls and boys never grew tired cracking silly jokes about the magnificence of their sleeping quarters. In vain Nan begged for quiet. It was 3 o'clock before they were still at last and she fell into a deep sleep.

Stuart rose, sat before the log fire and watched the regular rise and fall of her bosom as she slept like a child. On a distant mountain side he heard the howl of a lonely wolf. Sixteen years ago the mountains were full of them and they came quite close. He was reminded of the narrowing strip of the savage world, fast disappearing before the march of civilization. Somewhere inside of him he heard the lonely cry of another wolf.

"She's mine—mine! Nature gave her to me in the morning of life—I was a fool. I should have taken her by force, if need be, and she would have thanked me in after years. She has complied with the conventions of society and trampled the highest law of life. Why not smash convention now at the call of that law?"

Again the wolf howled in the distant darkness, and it seemed the echo of his own mad cry. He waked from his reverie with an angry start. He shuddered that he could have harbored the thought for a moment.

The eastern horizon was beginning to glow with the dawn. He rose, walked to the summit and sat down on the pile of stones that marked the grave of Professor Mitchell. He watched in silence until he saw the sun's red rim suddenly leap above the blue-black peaks of the east and drive the last shadow of the night from the valleys below. With their fading mists he felt the darkness lift from his own heart and the sunlight of reason stream in. A new joy welled up from the depths of his spirit. He was alive to his finger tips, and his imagination glowed with the consciousness that life was strong and clean and worth while.

"With the help of God I'll keep it so, too!" he cried. "I'm ready for the fight now. Let it come."

He knew instinctively that it was coming. He felt it in every word that had fallen from Nan's lips since they left on this trip. He felt it most keenly of all when she was silent, read it in the tremor of her mouth, the shadowy tenderness of her eyes, the low, deep tones of her voice.

(Continued next week)

CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS
Fictitious Firm Name

The undersigned do hereby certify that they are conducting a Planing Mill business at No. 220 Geneva Street, in the City of Glendale, Los Angeles County, California, under the fictitious firm name of Glendale Mill Company, and that said firm is composed of the following persons, whose names and addresses are as follows, to-wit:

C. U. Mandis, 480 West 5th St., Glendale, Calif.

G. A. Ganahl, 312 West Madison St., Chicago, Illinois.

Witness our hands this 27th day of December, 1912.

C. U. MANDIS.
G. A. GANAHL.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ) ss.
County of Los Angeles. )

On this 27th day of December, in the year nineteen hundred and twelve, before me, Harry W. Chase, a Notary Public in and for said County, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared C. U. Mandis, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal.
(SEAL) HARRY W. CHASE,
Notary Public in and for said County of Los Angeles, State of California.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ) ss.
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On this 8th day of January, A. D., 1913, before me, Herman Waldman, a Notary Public in and for the said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared G. A. Ganahl, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.
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# WANTS FRANCHISE TO LEGALIZE RAILROADS

South Park Property Owners Send Representative to Council to File Application for Extension of Line.

Acting for property owners and residents along the line of the South Park avenue street car, Frank E. Green filed an application for a railway franchise on that street. The application calls for a double track line beginning on San Pedro at Thirtieth street, south on San Pedro to South Park and south on South Park to Manchester.

There is a street car line on South Park now, but it only extends as far as Slauson avenue, and the proposed franchise would carry the line two miles farther than its present terminus. It would also legalize the South Park avenue line south of Thirtieth street on San Pedro. The whole San Pedro street franchise has been in litigation for years and several years ago the supreme court decided that that portion south of Thirtieth street was operating without a franchise because it had been built after the franchise time limit had expired.

Since then the line has been operated on suffrance, because to require it to discontinue service would seriously inconvenience a large and rapidly growing section of the city.

**Would Legalize Line.**

The line is in bad repair and the service is inadequate. The railway will not make the necessary improvements because it can be ordered off the street at any time by the city. It is to legalize this line so the necessary improvements can be made that the residents who have to use the car line want the franchise.

Councilmen Reed and Topham are much opposed to granting the franchise for San Pedro street and South Park avenue is the route proposed for the municipal railroad. In this idea the council is at loggerheads with the property owners on South Park, who object most vigorously to the municipal line running on their street, if it is the city's intention to haul freight over it. They say they do not object to passenger cars of the municipal railroad, provided the yellow cars are also permitted on the street, for they must depend on the yellow car line for transfers to other parts of the city that the municipal railroad would not reach.

**To Disclose Policy.**

In presenting their case to the municipal railway committee of the city council the property owners on South Park avenue expressed a fear that if the street was used for the municipal railroad it would become another Alameda street and as it is now built up with pretty homes and is in no sense industrial property they do not want to take the chance of having their property ruined for residence purposes.

The board of public utilities will have to pass on the application for the franchise before it is officially considered by the council, but the question will bring to a focus the city's policy with regard to the future use of the street.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

# ASK FOR INJUNCTION AGAINST ASSESSMENT

One Thousand Complainants Want Restraining Order to Prevent Collection for Exposition Park Improvement.

In an application of 135 pages, most of which are taken up with a list of the names of some 1000 complainants, an injunction is asked in the superior court to restrain the city from collecting assessments for the acquisition of land for Exposition park.

The complaint is being investigated by the city attorney.

Among other things, the complaint alleges that the property of the complainants is not benefited by the improvement and that the notices of the improvement were not posted according to law.

The assessments for the improvement became delinquent Jan. 25, and a penalty of 5 per cent has been added to those that are unpaid. Because of the contemplated suit, only about half the amount of the assessments have been paid at the office of the bureau of street opening and widening at the city hall.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

## AUDITOR MAKES REPORT

**School Statistics Indicate Cost of Education in Los Angeles**

Mid-year statistics of school finances, reported to the board of education by Auditor Lenz, show that it cost $1,875,847 to maintain the schools during the first half of the present year.

Tuition cost showed that ordinary grammar schools cost $23.04 per pupil, while other subjects cost much less than this. For instance, manual training instruction cost $1.15 per pupil and domestic economy 52 cents per pupil. The teaching of all other subjects and welfare work cost $4.85. The last includes all the higher branches which some regard as outside school work and have charged cost more than the old fashioned three R's.

The report showed that it costs $11,448 for each grammar school for half the year; $42,912 for intermediate schools, and $83,075 for high schools. It also showed that the trend of expenditures will not exhaust the available funds before the year ends.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

Chief Sebastian is urging the establishment of a branch receiving hospital at the University station because of the rapid growth of population southwest but Police Surgeon Zerfing believes it better to enlarge the hospital at Central station and provide additional assistance and equipment. The council has discussed both improvements, but has not taken any action.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

# COUNCIL POSTPONES BOND ELECTION CALL

Sufficient Votes Mustered to Abandon Feb. 25th, But Not Enough to Amend Ordinance Forthcoming.

No bond election will be held on February 25, the date so long seemingly decided on by the council. This was determined yesterday when five members voted to postpone the election to March 25 and so amended the ordinance presented last week. But five votes were not enough to pass the ordniance after amendment, and further action was postponed for a week. The law under which bonds are submitted requires a two third vote, or six members.

Those who voted to postpone were Langdon, McKenzie, Reed, Whiffen and President Williams. Those against were Andrews, Betouski and Topham.

As yesterday was the last day on which action could be taken for February 25, the date for the call is regarded as uncertain. If the five members vote to postpone from week to week they will eventually force their date on the minority.

**Councilmen Give Reasons.**

The reason given for those who brought about postponement was that the people should have more time to consider the issues proposed. Reed declared that a lack of confidence in the present administration exists and that any haste in the election date would only injure the chances of the bonds.

When the bond election question was brought up Betkouski moved to adopt the ordinance providing for all the proposed issues aggregating $17,600,000 and which set the election for February 25. Reed moved a substitute making March 25 the date.

Miles S. Gregory, former councilman, said the Civic Center association, at a meeting held yesterday, voted to ask the withdrawal of the million dollars for city hall building.

A communication from the Municipal league asked the withdrawol of the "high line" and Chatsworth system bonds, aggregating $4,500,000, assert that the defeat of those two issues is sure and that they will attract a negative vote against the necessary ones

**Urges Postponement.**

In the discussion all the members except McKenzie and Whiffen opposed taking any question from the ballot. Whiffen said a conference of officials had decided to take off the city hall, Normal school and municipal railway questions and he urged that this advice be followed.

McKenzie urged postponing the election and carefully considering what questions should be submitted. Every other member favored submitting every question with a view of giving the people full liberty to express themselves.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

# WILL GIVE TAXICABS EQUAL STREET RIGHTS

Councilmen Have Plan to Eliminate Private Stands and Let All In On Even Footing Under Traffic Law.

Elimination of private taxicab stands will be attempted by the legislation committee, which instructed the city attorney to include such a provision in the proposed new traffic law. The measure now is in the hands of the attorney for re-drafting.

Councilman Reed made the suggestion that holders of vehicle permits should not be compelled to stand in one location, but should be permitted to take any vacant place set aside for a vehicle stand.

It was stated that in a number of cases, notably in front of some of the large hotels, big rentals were paid the hotel proprietors or the owners of the abutting property for the exclusive right to use the curb space in front of the hotel or other property.

Reed argued that this was unjust and that no property owner should be allowed to obtain a revenue for the use of public property. His remedy was to designate certain locations as public stands and allow the holder of any license to operate a vehicle for hire to occupy the space, first come, first served.

A provision of this sort was ordered incorporated in the measure, together with the provision prohibiting standing at the curb within 120 feet of a crossing on the right hand side where cars discharge and take on passengers.

It further was decided to reduce the time in which vehicles should be allowed to stand at the curb on the down town streets between the hours of 4 and 6 p. m. from 10 to five minutes.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

## AMEND BILLBOARD LAW

**Minor Changes in Regulation Will Be Arranged.**

Billboard regulation refuses to be pushed into the background, even with the adoption by the council of an ordinance limiting the height to 10 feet, six inches. At the last meeting of the legislation committee, a representative of T. H. B. Varney urged a number of minor changes in the ordinance with the result that the council yesterday recommended that the city attorney be instructed to draft amendments.

The ordinance provides that the signs must be set back from the sidewalk a distance equal to their height, at least, except in the industrial district.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

Police badges will be made by the Los Angeles Rubber Stamp company, the council accepting the bid of that concern to furnish 616 badges at 50 cents each and to furnish the dies for $125.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

On orders from the board of public works, land around the piers of the Avenue Twenty bridge will be fenced in so as to prevent hauling of gravel and sand and endangering the supports of the bridge.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

# BOARD INVESTIGATES TRAFFC IN LICENSES

Police Commissioners Will Probe Method of Sale and Transfer of Liquor Selling Permits—Fancy Prices Quoted.

The holders of liquor selling permits will have to appear before the police commission at its meeting today and defend charges perferred against them by Chief Sebastian. They were George Caras, holder of restaurant No. 2 permit at 133 East Fourth, and Botivin & Blumenthal, holders of wholesale permit at 519 West Seventh. Caras is alleged to have sold his place without transferring the permit to the purchaser and if this proves to be the case the purchaser may suffer instead of Caras. The wholesalers are accused of delivering liquor not properly tagged.

The police commission believes it has evidence of a revival of traffic in retail liquor licenses and hereafter will demand an inventory of the stock fixtures of a saloon before transferring the license to a purchaser. To get at the bottom of the reported traffic in licenses the commission delayed action on transferring the permit of Peter Krouse, who conducts a saloon at 420 South Main street, to Matteo Rosso; the permit of A. Hart, 135 East First, to M. Raimonda, and the permit of M. Fava, 122 North Alameda, to Edward O'Neill. The applicants said they were paying prices ranging from $15,000 to $4,250 for the saloons they intended to purchase while the stock and fixtures would not invoice anywhere near those amounts. The difference between the value of the stock and fixtures and the purchase price is the value placed on the license.

**Restored to Duty.**

Patrolman A. C. Hoffman was restored to duty by the police commission with loss of pay during the time of his suspension as a punishment. Hoffman was suspended Dec. 12 for beating a drunken man he was arresting.

Joe Aidel, who conducts an Italian boarding house at 1009 North Alameda, where he has a permit of the restaurant No. 2 class, will have to serve his meals without wine for the next 20 days because he sold a bottle of beer without a meal to a police officer. The 20 day suspension was the punishment inflicted by the police commission.

Patrolmen George C. Barlow, James H. Shafer and W. R. Ramsey have resigned from the force.

Following are the permits granted by the commission: T. R. Reid, 305 South Broadway, auctioneer; C. N. Clark, 339 South Hill, auctioneer; H. G. Briggs, 305 South Broadway, auctioneer; S. Arai, 337 Winston, auctioneer; M. J. Weller, 4611 Walton, auctioneer; Smith & Fish, 120 West Seventh, billiards; John Vergano, 423-25 North Los Angeles, No. 2 restaurant liquor; DiVeecho & Danz, 709 South Main, wholesale liquor; Siglie & Siglie, 230 North Main, retail liquor; A. W. Metz, 117 East First, restaurant liquor No. 2.

Permits denied were as follows: Pekin Cafe, 419 South Main, restaurant liquor No. 1; Frank Conley, 2000 South San Pedro, pool; G. F. Beckham, 360 North Utah, pool.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

# CONTRACT IS SIGNED FOR MUNICIPAL WHARF

New York Company Will Carry Out Undertaking at Harbor—Construction to Begin Within Thirty Days.

With the signing by President Hubbard of the board of public works of the contract for the construction by Snare & Triest company of New York of the wharf on Municipal Dock No. 1, the representative of the company departed for the East to make the final arrangements for beginaing the work which will cost more than $444,000.

S. A. Jubb, engineer in charge of harbor work, recommended that changes be made in the construction work on the wharf which he estimates will save the city $27,000. He suggests that instead of steel cylinders filled with concrete as called for, the wharf be supported by clusters of five 18-inch reinforced concrete piles. He further would eliminate all the six-inch concrete paving base, except for 600 feet on the north end of the wharf and suggests instead that the asphalt wearing surface be laid directly on the concrete slabs, which will form the floor of the wharf.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

# UTILITY CORPORATIONS REPORT TO COUNCIL

Six Public Service Concerns File Statements Preparatory to Annual Rate Fixing in April—Will Verify Figures.

Preliminary to the fixing of rates, six public utility corporations filed statements with the council. These statements will be gone over by the board of public utilities, to which they were referred, and the different items verified before the rates are fixed in April.

The total operating income of the Los Angeles Gas & Electric corporation's gas department is placed at $2,927,340.92, and the operating expenses at $2,174,194.28. The total number of customers December 31, 1912, was 107,952. The receipts of the electric light and power department are given as $1,357,468.52 and the expenditures as $989,023.28.

The net income of the Pacific Light & Power corporation is placed at $606,435.72, and the net profit at $117,291.32 for the year.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

Edwin Alderson's offer of a strip of land for alley or walk purposes to be known as Loma Vista place through tract No. 1635, will be accepted if the council follows the recommendations of the board of public works.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

## NEWS OF THE WEEK IN BRIEF

**Monday 3.**

Pacific Slope. The Speaker of the Arizona Legislature whose extra session commenced, was forced to resign because of the fact that he had held two offices simultaneously, in violation of the constitution.

An investigation of the fire at Sacramento in which four lives were lost Sunday morning, revealed that in all probability it was the fault of an aged negro, who was unfamiliar with the boilers in the hotel.

"Ted" Franklin, an alleged auto agent who has been spending money freely and scattering checks about Redding, Cal., was arrested in Vallejo, and admitted that he was the man wanted.

John Richards, superintendent of schools of Bedford, Ore., who has been missing four years, was found in a hospital at Oakland, where he had forgotten his name, having been picked up on the streets two years ago in a dazed condition.

Dr. Madeline Johns, a practitioner of San Francisco, was attacked by a madman, who slashed her throat badly, and afterward committed suicide.

General Eastern. Charles G. Heifner, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, had an interview with President-elect Wilson at Trenton.

A New York policeman confessed that he had handled a large amount of protection money while he was on his beat in that city.

Hollow Horn, a Sioux Indian chief of South Dakota, whose face decorates the $5 gold certificates, expressed the desire to attend the inaugural with several of his associates.

The strike of the garment workers in New York City was reported to be weakening, due to disagreements among the leaders.

Gertrude Hassler, the young singer who has been suing Carl Fisher, a millionaire clubman, for breach of promise of marriage, was awarded a $50,000 verdict by the jury.

Washington. House minority leader Mann prevented consideration of Representative Baker's bill which would extend the time for settlers to prove up their claims in Riverside county.

With the vote of Wyoming the income tax of the United States is now embodied in the constitution, and Congress is at liberty to go ahead and pass a law fixing its provisions.

Foreign. The six-power group signed the agreement by which the Chinese loan of $125,000,000 will be floated, the rate of interest on the bonds being 5½ per cent.

The trial of twenty-two Paris auto bandits who were associates of the demon chauffeur Bonnet, went to trial charged with numerous crimes and robberies about Paris.

King Menelik of Abyssinia died, and has been succeeded by his son. King Menelik was reported to have been a descendant of the Queen of Sheba and King Solomon.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

Pacific Slope. The State Auditor of Arizona made a statement in which he declared that the "honor" system of governing convicts in the State penitentiary advocated by Gov. Hunt is a distinct failure.

E. Washburn, a teacher in the Berkeley High School, left school because he refused to be vaccinated in accordance with the order of the Board of Health. Fifty pupils of the school are out for the same reason.

The Legislature adjourned to reassemble on March 10. Almost 4000 bills were introduced during the first half of the session.

A rush to the new mining camp of Rochester, Nev., has set in, caused by the report that picture ore has been struck in the Nenze ltunnel.

General Eastern. A judge of the Supreme Court of New York ruled that the distribution of moving picture films is not a public utility.

The signing of a contract involving $300,000,000 for the operating of New York's subway system was blocked by an injunction served on the Board of Public oWrks.

Julius Kruttschnitt was elected chairman of the board of directors of the Texas and New Orleans Railroaod in place of E. F. Lovat.

Washington. Democrats who oppose the extension of the navy will ask for a caucus of the party to see if an agreement cannot be reached by which the bill providing for the construction of two new battleships can be defeated.

President Taft vetoed a resolution for a government engineer to make an inspection of the wharfage in New York for the purpose of considering the advisability of extending the piers further into the Hudson River.

President Taft signed the bill which limited the amount of interest which can be charged by loan sharks and pawnbrokers in the city of Washington.

Foreign. J. Piris Caballero, Spanish Ambassador to France, resigned because of his connection with the South Spanish Agricultural Bank, now under investigation by the authorities.

The River Seine is rising, and was near the danger level.

The French army is investigating a simple apparatus designed to wreck airships, and to eliminate aeroplanes as a factor in warfare.

The Great War. It was reported from Turkish sources that the city of Adrianople has provisions for four months, although her resistance to the bombardment is said to be very feeble.

Financial. Crude Oil advanced to $2.47, within three cents of the goal which Pennsylvania producers have set for themselves.

The trend of the stock market in New York was distinctly downward on account of the reports of the continuance of the war in the Balkans.

The war in the Balkans was the cause of a big rise in the prices o wheat on the Chicago oBard of Trade and in the late trading both oats and provisions were high.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

Pacific Slope. Fifteen commission merchants were indicted by the Federal grand jury at Portland, Ore., on the charge of combining in restraint of trade.

The State Water Commission recommended that suit be brought in the Federal Supreme Court against the State of Nevada for the protection of the waters of aLke Tahoe.

Secretary of atSe toJrdan announces that he will publish a digest of the four thousand bills introduced in the Legislature in time to be on the desk of each lawmaker when the Legislature reconvenes.

The Sacramento City Commission found that the oil furnace in the cellar of the St. Nicholas Hotel was the direct cause of the fire.

General Eastern. The weather in Chicago was reported to have been the coldest of the winter, causing much distress.

The suit for divorce begun by Capt. F. W. Benteen of the Seventh Infantry in St. Louis against his Cuban wife was dismissed.

President-elect Wilson has started work on his inaugural address, which he has stated will be brief.

Washington. The report of the Bureau of Corporations, which will be sent to President Taft, it was stated gives a large number of secret details of the organization of the harvester trust.

A New Orleans witness before the Currency Reform Committee of the House, declared that the national banks in the South openly violate the Federal law against loaning money on real estate.

Foreign. Bradley Martin, the New York Millionaire, died at London of Pneumonia, in his seventy-second year.

The President of Salvador was wounded by a Gautemala assassin.

The Great War. The armies of the allies were reported to have gained the rear of Gallipoli, and are in a position to take the city in a short time. A report from a London correspondent is to the effect that the people in Constantinople are starving, and the government is in financial straits.

Financial. The favorable report on the Indian drought had a bearish effect on the grain market in Chicago and was responsible for a considerable decline in wheat.


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### ANNOUNCEMENT.

With the issue of this paper of today, I terminate my connection with it as its editor and publisher. My successor is Harry L. Edwards, Esq., late of El Paso, Texas, now a citizen resident of Tropico. Mr. Edwards is a newspaper man of long and successful experience. The "Business Farmer," of which he is the editor and publisher, heretofore printed and published in El Paso, will hereafter have its publication office here, in connection with that of Tropico Interurban Sentinel.

I bespeak for Mr. Edwards the hearty support and liberal encouragement so generously accorded me by the people of Tropico and vicinity in the establishment and building up of their only newspaper, and even more. He comes with the best of testimonials as to his integrity and ability, and I congratulate the people of the San Fernando valley, as well as myself upon having so valuable a man in my place on this paper.

N. C. BURCH.

### FAIR PLAY IS A JEWEL.

The contention over a site for the city's proposed public buildings has its amusing as well as its distorted features. The owner of the site offered on Brand Boulevard is likened by one orator to the proprietor of an old-fashioned log pump that would never work without priming, who, he alleged has been working for years to get a "business section" started on his premises, and who is working to get the public buildings there as a sort of "priming" to his business "suction pump." In retort, the West side opponents to the proposition are likened to the big, burly colored man who was operating a cross-cut saw on the opposite end of which was a small boy, when a stalwart Irishman, who had a lively conception of what is fair play, came along. After watching the proceeding a while and noticing that as often as the little fellow would draw the saw towards him the other would savagely yank it back, the indignant Irishman dealt the big fellow a blow, saying as he did so: "Now give that saw to the little fellow if he wants it."

### A MODEL CITY.

The advantages which a model city should afford its average citizen is thus described by Col. W. V. Judson, the Engineer Commissioner of the District of Columbia.

"Awakening from sleep in a house which has been safely built, with due provision of light and air, under the city's inspection, and protected from fire and burglary by the city, he bathes from a spring of clear and limpid water, which the city provides, issuing from metal pipes at convenient places within his domicile. He eats a breakfast, the component parts of which the city has assured him have been correctly measured out, and are of a healthful character. His meal he washes down with pure and filtered city water. The debris from his meal is removed by the city before it becomes nauseous and unsanitary, sewer, the ashman, or the rubbish collector—all provideed by the city. Starting the children off to a school, built and operated by the city, he emerges upon a street which, with its sidewalks, curbs, parkings, lamp-posts trees and paved surfaces is provided and cleaned by the city. Traversing this street safely, under the guardianship of proper city traffic regulations, and crossing a park owned and beautified by the city, he catches a breath of air which the city says shall be free from smoke. He enters a street car, which the city requires shall be comfortable, sanitary, and operated upon a convenient schedule. Ascending by means of an elevator or otherwise inspected by the city, to an office in a building whose height is limited and whose structural safety is assured by the city, if it be a dark day, he turns on the electric light, or gas, the character and price of which are controlled in his interests by the city."

Is it too much to expect of Tropico that it shall be brought up to this standard of a model city? We do not think so. Not a single advantage is here enumerated to the possession of which that even a City of the Sixth Class may not reasonably aspire under the laws of California.

N. C. BURCH.

Tomorrow is the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, the saviour of the republic.

After the Panama canal, the next great water-way to deserve and demand the attention of the government at Washington is the Mississippi river.

With pockets stuffed with bills, our Sacramento statesmen have returned to their homes to take council of their constituents concerning the best disposition to be made of them. The advice they will receive will no doubt be to "burn 'em."

The roll of Burbank's delinquent taxpayers published in the Review contains 170 names. A delinquent city tax roll is not an exceedingly encouraging symptom.

The resolution introduced in the Senate of the United States by Senator Works of California, proposing an amendment to the federal constitution, limiting the term of office of the president to six years and excluding from eligibility to the office, any person who has once held it or discharged its powers and duties, has passed the senate by a vote of 47 to 23 against or one more than the requisite two-thirds vote.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

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The intersection of Gardena Avenue and Brand Boulevard was the scene of some excitement and a near riot last Saturday morning, the occasion being an attempted construction of a barrier to a crossing of the tracks of the Pacific Electric Railway at that point in the form of a barbed wire fence along the side of the Company's right-of-way by the employees of the Company which was resisted by citizens residing on the Avenue. As is well known to the officers of the Company, or, if not, should be, there is reserved to the public the right to a street crossing at every intersection of the Company's right-of-way with a public street in the Richardson Tract. Knowing this it would have been more in keeping with due respect for the rights of the public to have made the crossing passable than to make it impassable. After a little by-play the attempted barrier was abandoned.

Mr. H. A. Jennings has sold his property on the San Fernando Road, which was the site of his blacksmith shop, recently destroyed by fire, and his family residence on the northerly side of it, to Mrs. Ella W. Richardson, and, in turn, has bought of Mrs. Celia Gabiag the property on Tropico Avenue upon which is situated the livery barn near the corner of San Fernando Road. It is understood to be the plan of Mr. Jennings to convert the barn into a wagon and blacksmith shop, and to move the building in which he now resides over along side of it.

The Brotherhood of American Yeomen are to give a dance at the K. of P. Hall, Friday night, February 14, '13. Good music and a good time is promised, with bountiful refreshments. Tickets of admission, 50 cents to gentlemen. Ladies free.

The Philathea and Baraca classes of the Presbyterian Church are to entertain themselves and each other with a valentine party next Wednesday night. They will embrace (the opportunity, we mean, of course) to choose their Valentines. Happy people.

A meeting of the women of the Presbyterian Church of Tropico of unusual importance was announced for 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon of this week, from the pulpit of the church last Sunday.

Burt W. Richardson is getting things in readiness for a row of residences on Eulalia street in the near future.

That Pacific Electric Railway switch on the grounds that belong by rights to the Tropico Public School surroundings comes as near being a public nuisance as anything can be. Wonder if there is no way of abating it?

Those two claps of thunder a little after the hour of twelve M. on Saturday last may be properly classed with "something unusual for California."

We want an estimate of the population of Tropico and vicinity within a radius of five miles, with Tropico as the hub. Send your figures to N. C. Burch, 219 Cerritos Ave.

Joseph Marple, having completed his studies in osteopathy, is now a full-fledged osteopath physician. There is no more trustworthy young man or thorough student than Dr. Marple and everybody's good wishes go out to him for success in his new calling.

James A. Kincaide of Porterville, Cal. is on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Myra C. K. Shuey, Columbus Ave.

The K. of P. bunch of boys is busy with preparations for a grand celebration of Frank H. Davis' birthday, scheduled for one week from yesterday, at the hall of the lodge. High jinks of the first order are in pickle for the occasion.

The meetings of the Civic Club are held in the K. of P. banquet room every Tuesday evening. The emblem of the organization is a stuffed club, harmless, but effective.

Paul E. Gilmore and W. G. Crissey started in on yesterday on the work of renovating the auditorium of the Presbyterian church; tinting the walls and ceiling, re-staining the finish, preparatory to its re-seating.

The annual statement required by law of the Tropico Water Company, the company engaged in the business of supplying the city and its inhabitants with water, has not as yet been filed with the City Clerk. The penalty for such a failure is pretty heavy.

Marion O. Ayres of Dakota City and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Skeen of Cody, Nebraska, who have been visiting relatives in Tropico and Pomona the past month, left on their homeward hike on Sunday last.

The Parent-Teachers Association Conference appointed for last Friday night was very considerably postponed, so as not to interfere with the rain, arranged for by prior appointment.

One would climb the highest mountain to witness a "forest fire" such as was reproduced and exhibited with the most startling effect at The Star Theater last week.

That "Water Right Fight" at the Star Theater, had the appearance of being the real thing? Now didn't it?

We must not forget our grateful acknowledgments for the radiantly lovely rain last week.

Pacific Home Builders largely in the lead with building permits last month. Permits granted for residences to the value of $18,150.

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That you will take half a day right now to pick up the odds and ends around the place and turn them into either use, money or ashes.

That you will contribute as much money as you can afford, and as much enthusiasm as anybody, to any movement to develop the town's resources.

That you will join the movement to induce the people in this town to do their buying at home, or, if there is no such movement, that you will start one.

That you will make friends with the farmers, if a town man, or with the town folks, if a farmer, and help work together for the good of the community of which this town is the center.

### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The following books have just been added to the library by gift:

Webster's Encyclopedic Dictionary, presented by Mrs. S. W. Johnson; Rover Boys on Treasure Island, presented by Claire Haley; Plato's Republic (translation), Horoto Study Geography by Parker, Life of John Amos Comemus, Fitche's Lectures on Teaching, Monroe's History of Education, Fundamentals of Child Study, Bagley's Educative Process, The Moral Ideal by Wedgwood.

The following list of books have just been purchased by the Library Board:

Dewey's Decimal Classification, The Hollow of Her Hand by McCutcheon, The White Shield, Myrtle Reed, The Pied Piper, Robt. Browning; Members of the Family, Wister; Up from Slavery, Booker Washington; A Cry in the Wilderness, Waller; May Ware's Promised Land; Lorna Doone; Mother, Kathleen Norris; The Moonlight Sonata, Nordling; The Melting of Molly; Adventure, London; Smoke Bellew, London; Queed, Harrison; The Goodly Fellowship, Schauffer; Blue Bonnet's Ranch Party, Jacobs; Geo. Helm, Phillips; Dream Life, Schreiner; May Iverson Tackles Life; Corner of Harley Street; Trail of the Gold Seekers, Garland; Little Sister Snow, Frances Little; The Lady and Sada San, Frances Little; My Robin, Mrs. Burnett; Between Two Thieves, Dehan; Child Life in Colonial Days; Pompea of the Post Office, Mabel Wright; A Year in a Coal Mine; Irish Life and Humor; Their Yesterdays, Wright.

A Sunset phone has been installed in the reading room and books can be renewed by phone by giving number of card and date of withdrawal. A book can be reserved by phone for one day.

The library is now provided with non-fiction cards to one of which each borrower is entitled, thus enabling him to draw one fiction and one non-fiction book at the same time. Magazines can also be taken on non-fiction cards. Phone number 857.

### TROPICO THURSDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

Mrs. W. A. Hough, assisted by Mrs. Clyde R. Carmack and Mrs. Anna E. Marek, most charmingly entertained the Tropico Thursday Afternoon Club at the beautiful new home of Mrs. Hough, on Central Avenue, Thursday afternoon of last week. Mrs. Edward M. Lynch, Mrs. Mary McLean, Mrs. W. E. Edwards and Mrs. T. C. Rice-Wray gave instructive talks relative to the parcel post and elicited much interest and enthusiasm in the recently adopted system.

Following the business of the club, Mrs. George H. Hutton of Santa Monica, chairman of the Los Angeles District Federation of Clubs, gave a talk on the orchestra and its composition. Mrs. Hutton interspersed her interesting talk by rendering, on a splendid victrola, famous illustrations of the various orchestral instruments and thus illustrating the legitimate use of each instrument. The music and the talk were of the keenest pleasure and greatest charm to the large number of club members present.

Mrs. Dwight Griswold, president of the club, accompanied by Mrs. Hal H. Davenport and Mrs. T. C. Rice-Wray were the guests of the Rosencranz Club at the Echo Park Club House, Los Angeles, when the Philanthropic section of the Rosencranz Club observed Reciprocity Day.

Club members are anticipating a delightful social event Wednesday evening, February 19th, when the "Witches Dancing Party" will be given at K. P. Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Griswold will entertain the Tropico club at "500" at their home on San Fernando Road, Friday evening, February 14.

The proceeds from the dancing party and card club will be added to the club house building fund.

### TROPICO GRAMMAR SCHOOL NOTES

**Principal and Pupils of Graduating Class Tendered A Happy Surprise**

With Friday of last week terminated the first period of the school year when pupils of the Tropico Grammar School, in common with those of all the schools of the County, who had "made good," were given their promotion cards and graduation certificates.

Of the latter were Masters Seymore Smith, Fritz Bowman and Charles Butler. They will rest on their oars for the present and, in due time will enter the Union High at Glendale.

Advancing to take their places in the A class of the 8th Grade, the last lap in the course to the Union High, were Misses Marjorie Imler, Catherine Phillips, Lucille Pondy, Celia Moniot, Louise Moniot, Ellen Cate and Lillie Schick and Masters William Paulin, Cranford Spear, George Cate, Russell Harrison, Homer Morgan, Leslie Kepler, Raphael Verdugo and Harwood Collins.

Nine pupils were promoted from Class A 7th to Class B 8th Grade. Promotions were the order in all the grades. Among them all, we are pleased to mention, was that of our little six year old grand-daughter from Class A in the First Grade to Class B 2nd. No queen could have been prouder than she as she hurried home flourishing her promotion card bearing the signature of Miss Helen Sevier, with the exclamation "Oh, ain't Miss Sevier just a dear."

Mrs. Martha McClure, the efficient and successful principal of the school and the three pupils who were graduated from the eighth grade, were tendered a very happy surprise at noon, when, in response to an invitation to appear in the Domestic Science department of the school building, they beheld a table most carefully arrayed in the finest of damask, the center adorned with a Bohemian cut-glass bowl into which had been artistically arranged scarlet Camelias; the surprise became all the more interesting when Mrs. McClure and the three graduates, Masters Seymour Smith, Fritz Bowman and Charles Butler were informed that this dinner party had been planned by Miss Grace Burnham, the Instructor in Domestic Science, and the girls of the B-8th for their teacher Mrs. McClure and their Catherine Phillips and Miss Lillie school mates who were so soon to leave dear old Tropico Grammar school for the High School. Miss Schick presided at the table as hostesses. Dainty place cards with corsage bouquets of violets for Mrs. McClure and the young hostesses with boutonnieres of the same sweet flower marked places for Seymour, Fritz and Charles. Miss Burnham was appointed as chef and was assisted by Miss Marjorie Imler who prepared the cream tomato soup and dainty brown cretons; Miss Louise Moniot, chops and mashed potatoes; Miss Henrietta Dible, creamed carrots; Miss Lucile Pondy, cream biscuits; Miss Catherine Phillipps, floating island; Miss Lillie Schick, cake, and Miss Ellen Cate, the cocoa. Each course was served with that precision and nicety that marks all the service that the pupils of Miss Burnham are wont to perform, whether at school or at home helping mother with the choice dishes and recipes taught by their instructor.

The happy surprise will ever linger in the memories of not only the guests at the charming dinner party, but of the "chef" and her assistants, as one of the brightest and happiest of all school days.

### TROPICO SOCIETY NEWS.

Mrs. Anna L. Smith entertained with a very enjoyable "thimble party" at her home "Quinta Ana," Saturday afternoon. Music and conversation whiled the afternoon hours all too quickly for the hostess and the coterie of friends.

Mrs. Smith entertained Mrs. Lyda Barrett of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Mrs. O. J. Robinson, Larimore, South Dakota; Mrs. C. C. Cribbs, Mrs. A. F. Speicher, Mrs. R. B. Howeth, Mrs. C. H. Hawksford, Mrs. Olive Hurst, Mrs. S. H. B. Van der Voort, Mrs. R. S. Smith, Miss Hazel Carter, Miss Robertson, Miss Maude Speicher, Los Angeles; Mrs. George Pence, Mrs. Theodore Garvey, Miss Nellie Burrows, Pasadena; Mrs. W. L. Dawes, Long Beach; Mrs. R. O Church, Burbank; Mrs. A. D. Cross, Mrs. Joseph Wilson Wetherey, Mrs. J. W. Crocker, Mrs. Simon Lutz, Mrs. R. Z. Imler, Mrs. C. F. Parker, Mrs. C. E. Shattuck, Mrs. Lenora Miller, Mrs. John Day Frazier, Miss Provolt, Miss Bertha Winkler, Miss Lillian Dix, Miss Bessie Provolt, Miss Mollie Arbuthnot, Miss Clara Provolt, Miss Marcella Miller, Glendale; Mrs. W. H. Bullis, Mrs. David H. Imler and Miss Hickman, Tropico.

Miss Hazel Carter and Miss Robertson rendered piano solos; Mrs. Hawksford, contralto solo; Misses Clara and Mattie Provolt, duet, with Miss Bessie Provolt, accompanist.

Mrs. John McGowan of Talbot, was the guest of her brother, George Miller, of Palmer avenue, the past week.

J. T. Kirkham has returned from a ten days' trip throughout the famous Imperial Valley and is so pleased with the valley, its productiveness and general prosperity that he will return to the valley to invest in property.

A. P. Stone left for Imperial Valley Sunday evening where he will spend several days looking over the Mecca of Southern California with a view to procuring ranch property.

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REPORT OF CONDITIONS of the

**Bank of Tropico**

AT TROPICO, CAL.
at the close of business on the 1st day of January, 1913. 3

Resources

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| Loans and Discounts | $ 85,953.91 |
| Overdrafts | 374.90 |
| Bonds, Warrants and other Securities | 16,199.83 |
| Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures | 12,610.00 |
| Due from other Banks | 1,647.46 |
| Due from Reserve Banks | 50,781.72 |
| Gold and Standard Dollars | 5,300.00 |
| Subsidiary and Minor Coins | 1,120.00 |
| United States Notes | 43.00 |
| National Bank Notes | 50.00 |
| Checks and other Cash Items | 247.20 |
| Other Resources | 1,269.49 |
| Total | $175,597.51 |

Liabilities

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| Capital Stock paid in | $ 25,000.00 |
| Surplus | 3,500.00 |
| Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid | 665.48 |
| Other existing profits, Collected, but not in Profits Account | 482.85 |
| Dividends Unpaid | 12.00 |
| Individual Deposits subject to check | 118,449.23 |
| Time Certificates of Deposit | 15,840.47 |
| Cashier's Checks | 63.75 |
| State, County and Municipal Deposits (secured by bonds) | 11,500.00 |
| Other Liabilities | 83.73 |
| Total | $175,597.51 |

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, )
County of Los Angeles. )ss.

Dan Campbell, President; John A. Logan, Cashier of the above-named Bank, being duly sworn, each for himself, says that the foregoing statement is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

DAN CAMPBELL, President.
JOHN A. LOGAN, Cashier.

Severally subscribed and sworn to before me by both deponents, the sixth day of February, 1913.
(SEAL) N. C. BURCH, Notary Public.

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## CIVIL SERVICE BOARD OFFERS AMENDMENTS

Some of the improvements in civil service that would have been provided had the recently proposed freeholders' charter carried, will be incorporated into a charter amendment. This amendment will be drawn by Dr. John R. Haynes, civil service commissioner, and F. M. Dee, chief examiner of the department.

One of the suggested features of the amendment will give the civil service commission the right to discharge municipal employes in the classified civil service list for cause. The commission had this power until two years ago when a charter amendment was adopted that gave the heads of departments the right to discharge their own employes and limited the civil service commission to the right to investigate and recommend that employes be discharged.

A certain revenue for the department will be provided. This will probably be fixed at a minimum of about $10,000 a year. The commission was allowed $8000 for the present year.

An efficiency bureau that the civil service department has long wanted to establish will also be provided in the amendment and an allowance set aside for it. Dee estimates that the first year's work of this bureau can probably be done with about $5000.

When the amendment is framed it will be submitted to the council with a request that it be placed on the ballot at the charter amendment election.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

Carl Warr, the human dynamite bomb, was found guilty of carrying dynamte into the central police station with the intent to terrify the occupants, after a deliberation by the jury of only twenty-five minutes. Tuesday was set by Judge Willis as the time for imposing sentence, which may be from one year to life imprisonment, at th ediscretion of the court.

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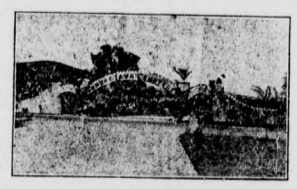

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## COUNCIL CONSIDERS PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Two amendments to the charter are proposed by Capt. A. W. Milner. These amendments are under consideration by the city council and may be submitted by the council at the charter amendment election. Captain Milner was formerly connected with the United States engineering corps and was chief engineer of the St. Louis sewer department. George Williams, president of the city council, suggested him as a member of the board of public works before Lorin A. Handley was appointed.

The amendments Milner suggests concern the department of public works and the harbor department.

He would increase the membership of the board of public works from three to five members; close the city engineering department and appoint the city engineer to a position of the board.

He would transfer the harbor engineers, draughtsmen and inspectors to the harbor department; the water engineers, draughtsmen and inspectors to the water department; street engineers, draughtsmen and inspectors to the street department. As there is not enough sewer construction to warrant a separate department he would have that work done under the direction of a street commissioner, who shall be a member of the board of public works.

**One Man Plans**

Under this new board of public works, he says, harbor work, power distribution, water, street and sewer development will keep pace with the rapid growth of the city. By appointing experts to this new board of public works, he reasons, the city will not have to employ consulting engineers every time some important project is undertaken.

The plan Captain Miller recommends is known as the "St. Louis plan," or the "one man plan." Under the Los Angeles system he points out that three boards are building the harbor.

By the Milner plan the president of the board would be elected by the people and the other members appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the council. All members of the board, including the president, must be civil engineers of not less than ten years professional experience.

**Method of Investigations**

Besides the president he suggests a water commissioner, power commissioner, harbor commissioner and street commissioner. He fixes the president's salary at $5000 and the other commissioners at $4250 each, per year. Each commissioner would have complete jurisdiction over his department.

This plan would abolish the public service commission, the harbor commission, harbor advisory board and the present board of public works.

Milner quotes from the St. Louis charter a provision to the effect that the city will investigate any public work upon complaint of a taxpayer who submits a complaint in writing and deposits with the city treasurer enough money to pay the cost of the investigation. If the work is found defective the city will pay the costs of the investigation, but if it is all right the complainant's deposit will be forfeited. He suggests this for another amendment to the Los Angeles charter.

—From L. A. Municipal News.

### LOS ANGELES SHIPPING ON THE INCREASE

Evidence that the commercial activity of Los Angeles is greater this year than last is pointed out in the fact that the first two steamships of the American Hawiian Steamship company brought 1000 tons more freight than the first two ships of last year. Statistics also show that the Los Angeles traffic of the company during 1912 was 17 per cent greater than that of the previous year.